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SUBJECT: UNCTAD: INTENSIVE CONSULTATION ON COTTON

REF: GENEVA A-584 OF NOVEMBER 10, 1973

1. UNCTAD DIRECTOR OF COMMODITIES (CHIDZERO) HAS INFORMED MISSION UNCTAD HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM INTERNATIONAL COTTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ICAC) STATING ICAC WILL HOLD 35TH SESSION IN LONDON APRIL 6-10. (CHIDZERO NOTED DATES ENCOMPASS WEEKEND). ICAC PREPARED ALLOT TWO DAYS TO INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS.

2. UNCTAD HAD NOT EXPECTED MEETING UNTIL FALL AND HAS SEVERAL PROBLEMS WITH APRIL 6-10 DATE, MOST IMPORTANT OF WHICH IS PREPARATION OF DOCUMENTATION. NEVERTHELESS, UNCTAD WILLING ACCEPT DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING PROVIDED SECRETARIAT NOT CRITICIZED FOR LATE DISTRIBUTION OF DOCUMENTS. ALSO, UNCTAD BELIEVES THREE DAYS NEEDED. CHIDZERO WOULD LIKE OBTAIN POSITION OF GROUP "B" COUNTRIES.

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3. COMMENT: MISSION BELIEVES THAT IS NOT IN OUR

INTEREST TO SEE PROGRAM OF INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS
STRUNG OUT INDEFINITELY. IF ALTERNATIVE TO APRIL MEET-
ING IS LATE 1974 THEN WE SEE MERIT IN POSTPOING CON-
SULTATIONS. HOWEVER, IF NEXT ICAC WILL NOT BE UNTIL
1975, THEN WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO GO
ALONG WITH APRIL MEETING. ARGUEMENT FOR APRIL MEETING
REINFORCED IF CURRENT MARKET SITUATION FOR COTTON
IS FAVORABLE. WE DO NOT BELIEVE LATE DISTRIBUTION OF
DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE MAIN DETERMINANT U.S. POSITION SINCE
THIS IS PERPETUAL PROBLEM IN UNCTAD AND SPECIFICALLY IN
CONSULTATIONS HELD THUS FAR. WE WILL OF COURSE WANT
ALSO TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF VIEWS OF GROUP "B" COUNTRIES WITH
WHOM WE WILL BE CONSULTING IN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS. GUID-
ANCE REQUESTED.DALE

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